

PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Takashi NORO et al.

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of  
PCT/JP03/013431

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Docket No.: 123531

For: APPARATUS FOR COATING OUTER PERIPHERAL SURFACE OF PILLAR  
STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR COATING OUTER PERIPHERAL SURFACE OF  
PILLAR STRUCTURE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**